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Town Topics.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING.
ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED
UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Can-
not Be Hid."

Arthur Wiley spent Sunday at
home.

G. R. Wiley spent Saturday and
Sunday in Portland.

Roland C. Jewett of Newry, was
in our village, Friday.

H. G. Brown of West Paris, was
in our village, Monday.

L. E. Allen and family has
moved back to West Bethel.

Harry Small a former assistant
at the Academy, was in town, Sat-
urday.

Dr. J. A. Twaddle held an auc-
tion sale of horses at Berlin last
week.

Miss Ethel Richardson has been
visiting in Norway during the
past week.

Robert Foster has returned to
Bowdoin, after spending a few
days with his parents.

There will be union Fast Day ser-
vices at the Universalist church,
Thursday evening, at 7.10.

Oliver Gould of the National
Bank at Bar Harbor, spent Sun-
day with E. C. Chamberlain and
family.

Did you see the snow upon the
mountains? All who did doubt-
less noted the regularity of the
snow line.

The Bethel Dramatic Co., will
play The Fruit of His Folly, at
Rumford Falls next Saturday
evening.

Teachers or students can obtain
board at reasonable rates at A. D.
Ellingwood's on Chapman street
handy to schools.

Miss Burnham says: "If it is
only a bit of ribbon, you want it
new. Your hat to be new should
be all new. When we speak of
new millinery, we mean new
goods, as well as new ideas.
What you find here is new from
the simplest detail to the finished
hat. If your new hat isn't up to
the correct standard, you waste
your money. If you want to be
sure of the proper thing, it is
safest to seek it here. Our hats
are handsome and our charges
fair."

The annual meeting and election
of officers and trustees of The Beth-
el Library Association will be held
at the library room, Monday even-
ing, May 2nd, at 7.30 o'clock. The
year about to close, has been one
of unusual activity and success, and
in as much as we are gardens of
our own tending, it behooves each
person holding a share in the As-
sociation to be present at this
meeting, and learn for himself, of
the progress made, and also as-
sist in perfecting plans for still
greater advancement. Please
bear in mind the date, hour and
place of meeting, and resolve to
be present.

Prof. W. S. Wight is at home
for a time. He closed his work at
Rumford Falls last week with a
grand concert, given Tuesday even-
ing. Mr. Wight was assisted by
F. C. Adell, of Lewiston, violin so-
loist; Miss M. Louise Staples of
Canton, and Mrs. G. J. Burnham
of West Paris. We are told that
the Rumford people were particu-
larly pleased with the latter.
The following was taken from the
Rumford Falls Times:

Prof. Wight's closing concert at Che-
ney Hall, Tuesday evening was a
very successful affair. Without men-
tioning any special feature or individual,
it is not too much to say that all the
numbers on the programme were ex-
cellent. The chorus showed that they had
been carefully drilled, and the performance
of those who had special parts is rare-
ly excellent. We are sure that the other
performers will not consider themselves
slighted if we mention the duet by
the Charles and Willie Bunt, which was
so finely rendered and heartily ap-
preciated by the audience. Were we
to criticize the concert in any way,
we would say that some of the music
was of too high class to be freely en-
joyed and appreciated by many in the
audience. Prof. Wight is to be congratulated
upon his success in Rumford Falls.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that
he is the senior partner of the firm of
F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in
the City of Toledo, Ohio and State
of Ohio, and that said firm will pay
the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS
for each and every case of CATARRH
that cannot be cured by the use of
HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed
in my presence, this 6th day of December,
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A. W. GLEASON
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Monhegan Club Banquet.

On Friday evening, April 22nd,
the pleasant home of Mrs. Edwin
C. Rowe was thrown open to wel-
come the members of the Monhe-
gan Club and a few of their friends.
The Club home was on this
occasion a scene of unusual
festivity. At this meeting of the
Club ended the series of evenings
which have been devoted to the
study of the State of Maine, the
Club departed somewhat from its
ordinary course of procedure and
indulged in a banquet. Some
forty of Bethel's young people
gathered around the "festive
boards," each member of the
Club having the privilege of invit-
ing one guest; and it was not on
account of a lack of hospitality
that a more general invitation
was not extended, but for lack of
room. The formality which usu-
ally attends a banquet seemed for-
gotten to some extent on this oc-
casion; and although a proper dig-
nity was preserved, a general air
of welcome and good-will was
everywhere manifest. There was
nothing to mar the evening's en-
joyment and the perfect harmony
in every detail made the affair the
success that it was. Nothing was
spared by the hostess to make the
evening pleasant to everyone, and
certainly much credit is due to
her and to the committee of ar-
rangements for the happy manner
in which their plans were executed.

Much enjoyment was afforded
the guests by a generous number
of selections from Mr. H. C. Rowe's
gramophone, which has become so
popular here. The Academy Male
Quartette was as willing to respond
as ever, and met with its usual
hearty appreciation.
The brilliantly lighted rooms
presented a very pleasing picture
as the young ladies selected their
partners for supper and took their
places at the ten small banquet
tables. A most dainty and tempt-
ing supper was served by the
ladies of the Club. The reputation
which the lady members of the
Club have gained for preparing
most inviting dainties, was fully
maintained at this time. At the
conclusion of the feast, the atten-
tion of all was asked by Mr. W.
Stanwood Field, the President of
the Club who had been chosen
Toastmaster for the occasion, and
the following toasts were then re-
sponded to:

Future of our Club, Miss Joan Stearns.
Norway, (in verse) Mr. Geo. H. French.
The New Woman, Mr. Ernest H. Pratt.
The Old Woman, Mr. Frank E. Hanson.
The New Man, Miss Florence Carter.
Outlook, Leon Y. Walker.
Looking Backward from 1905, Miss Vivian Kelliher.
Last Club Meeting, Mrs. Edwin C. Rowe.
Benefits derived from Social and Club life, W. Stanwood Field.

Other toasts were also responded
to by Miss Jones, Miss Dearing,
and Mr. King. The responses
were extremely interesting and
brilliant, and would space allow,
some of the "best things" might be
here reproduced. Several, how-
ever, are deserving of special men-
tion: The "New Woman" was
treated in a deferential and impar-
tial manner by Mr. Pratt and his
ideas on this much-abused subject
met the applause of the Club. A
glowing tribute was paid to the
"Old Woman" by Mr. Hanson.
She was pictured in all her gra-
cious attributes as a fit ideal for
the "New Woman" to imitate.
This response met with favor
among all present. Mention
should be made of the responses of
Miss Carter and Miss Kelliher; al-
though the attack upon the "New
Man" by Miss Carter was severe
in the extreme, yet it could not be
called unjust; Miss Kelliher re-
vealed a bright future to the Club
in a humorous and interesting
manner. The last response, "Ben-
efits to be derived from Social
and Club Life" by Mr. Field, was
listened to with pleasure and con-
tained many forcible ideas. Mr.
Field fulfilled his duties as Toast-
master most creditably. At the
close of his remarks, he paid a just
tribute to Mrs. Rowe for the kind-
ness and hospitality she has shown
to the Club. As the originator of
the Society she has worked enthu-
siastically to make it a success,
and was deserving of the praise
which the Club members expressed
to her on this occasion.

Thus the Monhegan Club Ban-
quet proved an appropriate close
to a most successful course of
study. The members of the Club
are especially grateful to the
teachers of the Academy for tak-
ing such an interest in the Club
work and so generously co-operat-
ing with the others to make the
study at once pleasant and profit-
able.

"For still we hope
That in a world of larger scope,
What here is faithfully begun,
Will be completed, not undone."
J. S.

Letters to Bethel People.
Mr. Eben Kilborn, Bethel, Me.
Dear Sir:

If you are going to paint, you
may be interested in a statement
made by Postmaster Noyes, of
Gardiner, Me.

He says that the Evans House,
in his city, was painted with F.
W. Devoe & Co's Paint in 1882, and
was not repainted until 1894—12
years after. Even then the body
of the paint was just as good as
when put on. There had been no
peeling off or blistering, but the
color of course, had become some-
what faded, as no color can re-
main permanent for 12 years. So
much for a pure paint ground by
machinery.

Now as to lead and oil mixed
by hand. Mr. R. W. Haines, pro-
prietor of the Hotel Coburn, Skow-
hegan, Me., says he has used lead
and oil, and has had to paint his
hotel four times in eleven years.
These facts prove that our
Paints by being ground by ma-
chinery, are sometimes more than
three times as durable as lead and
oil mixed by hand, and more than
three times as economical, because
certainly the cost of labor for
painting a house once is much less
than the cost of labor for painting
a house three times.

Yours truly,
F. W. Devoe & Co.

The Fruit of His Folly.

Yes, it was delightful! Didn't
they do well? It was one of the
best things of the season! These
were among the various ejacula-
tions heard as the joyful company
thronged out of Odeon Hall, Thurs-
day evening at the close of the last
act of The Fruit of His Folly.
Nor did any of these utterances
ill befit the occasion in the least,
but rather bespoke the sentiments
of all who were present.

It had been known for several
weeks that a local company, un-
der the auspices of the Rebekahs,
was preparing a drama to be given
in Bethel, and when the announce-
ment was made, together with the
cast of characters and the synop-
sis of the play, it became evident
that something in the way of a
treat was in store for us; accord-
ing to an unusually large and inter-
ested audience inspired the actors
at the rising of the curtain.

No time was spent in guessing
whether the anticipations of the
expectant audience were to be
realized or not, for from the very
start it was evident that they
were.

Without attempting to mention
the salient points of the individ-
ual actors it is fitting to say that
each did extremely well, and the
smoothness, ease and dignity with
which the various parts were
given would have done credit
to actors of more experience, while
not a few have been heard to ex-
press themselves to the effect that
they have rarely been excelled by
the dramatic companies which
have played in our town. No
long waits were experienced as the
intervals between the acts were
filled by selections on the piano
and violin by Misses Hall and
Chipman, who never fail to please
a Bethel audience. The evening's
entertainment was a complete suc-
cess.

A company has been organized
as the Bethel Dramatic company
with the intention of playing in
some of the adjacent towns. It will
make its first appearance at Rum-
ford Falls, next Saturday evening.

Varnish Makes Devoe's Varnish
Floor Paint cost a little more; it
also makes it look brighter and
wear fully twice as long to pay for
it. Hastings Bros. sell it.

Capt. Grover to Form a Company.

Capt. R. B. Grover, of the firm
of R. B. Grover & Co., of this city,
makers of the Emerson shoes, is
organizing a military company of
volunteers whose services will be
tendered to the State as soon as
the required number is obtained.
Capt. Grover intends to com-
mand the company, and if the ser-
vices of the men are required he
will enter into active service with
them, leaving his business in the
hands of his partners, as it is not
his intention to close the Emerson
factory.

A paper was passed around the
factory yesterday, and in response
to the solicitation of Capt. Grover
60 men affixed their names to it.
In case the State accepts the
offer of services the men will quit
work, be equipped for service and
be at once prepared to follow their
captain.

Capt. Grover means business
and displays a very patriotic feel-
ing in this matter.
We feel sure the above clipping
from The Brockton Daily En-
terprise of Friday, April 22nd,
will be of much interest to
the citizens of Bethel, where
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WASHINGTON'S VISION.

THE WARS OF 1812, 1861 AND
THE PRESENT CRISIS RE-
VEALED TO HIM.

The following was clipped from
a copy of the Weekly Mirror pub-
lished at Manchester, N. H. in
1863.

The last time I ever saw An-
thony Sherman was on the 4th of
July, in 1859, in "Independence
Square." He was then ninety-one
and becoming very feeble; but
though so old, his dimming eyes
rekindled as he looked at Indepen-
dence Hall, which, he said he had
come to gaze upon once more be-
fore he was gathered home.

"What time is it?" said he, rais-
ing his trembling eyes to the clock
in the steeple, and endeavoring to
shade the former with a shaking
hand—what time is it? I can't
sees so well now as I used to."

"Half-past three,"
"Come then," he continued, "let
us go into the Hall; I want to tell
you an incident of Washington's
life—one which no one alive
knows of except myself, and if you
live, you will, before long, see it
verified."

Reaching the visitors' rooms,
in which the sacred relics of our
early days are preserved, we sat
down upon one of the old-fashion-
ed wooden benches, and my ven-
erable friend related to me the
following singular narrative,
which from the peculiarity of our
national affairs at the present
time, I have been induced to give
to the world. I give it, as nearly
as possible, in his own words:

"When the bold action of our
Congress, in asserting the inde-
pendence of the colonies, became
known in the world, we were
laughed and scoffed at as silly, pre-
sumptuous rebels whom the British
grenadiers would soon take
into submission; but, undauntedly
we prepared to make good what
we had said. The keen encounter
came, and the world knows the re-
sult. It is easy and pleasant for
those of the present generation to
talk and write of the days of '76,
but they little know—neither can
they imagine—the trials and suf-
fering of those fearful days. And
there is one thing that I much
fear, and that is, that the Ameri-
can people do not properly ap-
preciate the boon of freedom. Party
spirit is yearly becoming stronger
and stronger, and, unless it is
checked, will, at no distant day
undermine and tumble into ruin
the noble structure of the Repub-
lic. But let me hasten to my
narrative.

From the opening of the Revolu-
tion, we experienced all phases of
fortune—now good and now ill, at
one time victorious, at another,
conquered. The darkest period
we had however, was, I think,
when Washington, after several
reverses, retreated to Valley Forge,
where he resolved to pass the win-
ter of '76. Ah! I have often seen
the tears couring down our dear
old commander's care-worn cheek
as he would be conversing with a
confidential officer about the con-
dition of his poor soldiers. You
have doubtless heard the story of
Washington going to the thicket
to pray. Well, it is not only true,
but he used often to pray in secret
for aid and comfort from God,
the interposition of whose divine
providence alone brought us safely
through those dark days of tribu-
lation.

One day, I remember it well—the
chilly wind whistled and howled
through the leafless trees, and
howed the sky was cloudless and
the sun shining brightly—he re-
mained in his quarters nearly the
whole of the afternoon alone.
When he came out, I noticed that
his face was a shade paler than
usual, and that there seemed to be
something on his mind of more
than ordinary importance. Re-
turning just after dusk he de-
patched an orderly to the quar-
ters of the officer I mentioned,
who was presently in attendance.
After a preliminary conversation,
which lasted some half an hour
Washington, gazing upon his com-
panion with that strange look of
dignity which he alone could com-
mand, said to the latter:

I do not know whether it was
owing to the anxiety of my mind
or what, but this afternoon, as I
was sitting at this very table, en-
gaged in preparing a despatch,
something in the apartment seem-
ed to disturb me. Looking up,
I beheld, standing exactly oppo-
site me, a singularly beautiful fe-
male. So astonished was I—for
I had given strict orders not to be
disturbed—that it was some mo-
ments before I found language to
inquire the cause of her presence.
A second, third, and even fourth
time did I repeat the question,
but received no answer from my
mysterious visitor. I began to

feel as one dying, or rather to ex-
perience the sensation which I
have sometimes imagined accom-
panied dissolution. I did not
think, reason, or move: all were
alike impossible. I was only con-
scious of gazing fixedly, vacantly
at my companion.

Presently, I heard a voice say-
ing: "Son of the Republic, look
and learn," while at the same
time my visitor extended her arm
and forefingers eastwardly. I now
beheld a heavy white vapor at
some distance rising fold upon
fold. This gradually dissipated,
and I looked upon a strange scene.
Before me lay stretched out in one
vast plain all the countries of the
world—Europe, Asia, Africa and
America. I saw rolling and toss-
ing between Europe and America,
the billows of the Atlantic and be-
tween Asia and America lay the
Pacific. "Son of the Republic,"
said the same mysterious voice as
before, "look and learn." A cen-
tury cometh—"look and learn."

At that moment I beheld a dark,
shadowy being, like an angel,
standing, or rather floating in mid
air between Europe and America.
Dipping water out of the ocean in
the hollow of each hand, he sprink-
led some upon America with his
right hand, while he cast some up-
on England with his left. Imme-
diately a dark cloud arose from
each of these countries, and joined
in mid-ocean. For a while it re-
mained stationary, and then
moved slowly westward, until it
enveloped America in its murky
folds—Sharp flashes of light-
ning now gleamed throughout it at
intervals, and I heard the smother-
ed groans and cries of the Ameri-
can people.

A second time the angel dipped
from the ocean, and sprinkled it
out as before. The dark cloud
was then drawn to the ocean, into
whose heaving waves it sunk from
view. A third time I heard the
mysterious voice, saying, "Son of
the Republic, look and learn."

I cast my eye upon America,
and beheld villages, towns, and
cities springing up, one after an-
other, until the whole land from
the Atlantic to the Pacific, was
dotted with them.

At this the dark, shadowy angel
turned his face southward, and
from Africa I saw an ill-omened
spectre approaching our land. It
fitted slowly and heavily over
every village, town and city of the
latter, the inhabitants of which
presently set themselves in battle
array, one against the other. As I
continued looking, I saw a bright
angel, on whose brow rested a
crown of light, on which was
traced the word UNION, bearing
the American flag which he placed
between the divided nation, and
said, "Remember, ye are brethren."

Instantly, the inhabitants, cast-
ing from them their weapons, be-
came friends once more, and
united around the national stand-
ard. And again I heard the mys-
terious voice, "Son of the Repub-
lic, the second peril is passed—look
and learn."

And I beheld the villages, towns
and cities of America increase
in size and numbers, till at
last they covered all the land from
the Atlantic to the Pacific, and
their inhabitants became as count-
less as the stars in Heaven, or as
the sand upon the sea shore. And
again I heard the mysterious voice
saying, "Son of the Republic, the
end of a century cometh—look and
learn."

At this, the dark, shadowy angel
placed a trumpet to his mouth,
and blew three distinct blasts,
and taking water from the ocean,
sprinkled it out upon Europe,
Asia, and Africa.

Then my eyes looked upon a
fearful scene. From each of those
countries arose thick, black clouds,
which soon joined into one; and
throughout this mass gleamed a
dark red light, by which I saw
hordes of armed men, who, mov-
ing with the cloud, marched by
land and sailed by sea to America,
which country was presently en-
veloped in the volume of the cloud.
And I dimly saw these vast armies
devastate the whole country, and
pillage and burn villages, cities and
towns, I had beheld springing up.
As my ears listened to the thun-
dering of cannon, clashing of
swords, and shouts and cries of the
millions in mortal combat, I
again heard, the mysterious voice
saying, "Son of the Republic, look
and learn."

When the voice had ceased, the
dark shadowy angel placed his
trumpet once more to his mouth
and blew a long and fearful blast.
Instantly a light as from a
thousand suns, shone down from
above me, and pierced and broke
into fragments the dark cloud
which enveloped America. At the
same moment I saw the angel up-
on whose forehead still shone the
word UNION and who bore our
national flag in one hand and a

sword in the other, descending from
Heaven, attended by legions of
bright spirits. These immediately
joined the inhabitants of America,
who, I perceived, taking courage
again, closed up their broken
ranks and renewed the battle.
Again amid the fearful noise of
the conflict I heard a mysterious
voice saying—"Son of the Repub-
lic, look and learn."

As the voice ceased, the shadowy
angel, for the last time, dipped
water from the ocean and sprink-
led it on America. Instantly the
dark cloud rolled back, together
with the armies it had brought,
leaving the inhabitants of the
land victorious. Then once more
I beheld the villages, towns and
cities, springing up, where they
had been before, while the bright
angel, planting the azure standard
he had brought in the midst of
them, cried in a loud voice to the
inhabitants: "While the stars re-
main and the heavens send down
dews upon the earth, so long shall
the Republic last."

And, taking from his brow the
crown on which still blazed the
word UNION, he placed it upon the
standard, while all the people,
kneeling down, said, "Amen!"

The scene instantly began to
fade and dissolve; and I at last
saw nothing but the rising, curl-
ing white vapor I had first beheld.
This also disappearing, I found
myself once more gazing upon my
mysterious visitor, who in that
same mysterious voice I had heard
before said: "Son of the Repub-
lic, what you have seen is thus in-
terpreted; three perils will come
upon the Republic. The most
fearful is the second, passing
which, the whole world united
shall never be able to prevail
against her. Let every child of
the Republic learn to live for his
God, his land, and Union."

With those words the figure
vanished. I started from my seat,
and felt that I had been shown
the birth, progress, and destiny of
the Republic of the United States.
Disunion her destruction?
"Such, my friends," concluded
the venerable narrator, "were the
words I heard from Washington's
own lips, and America will do
well to profit by them. Let her
remember that in Union she has
her strength, in Disunion her de-
struction."

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Bethel, Maine, Apr. 27, 1898.

At last at the earnest recommendation of the Board of Health, the Municipal officers of Bethel, have made a beginning on a sewer system for this village. This is an important step and one that has been taken none too soon. The introduction of a water supply with the attendant great amount of waste water let free into the soil makes a sewer absolutely necessary in order to preserve a good sanitary condition. The municipal officers have authority by statute to act in the matter of sewers upon their own judgment and discretion, and they have been very fortunate in securing at a small expense, a sewer outlet for the western slope of the village through a pipe extending from Mill Brook to Kimball Park and thence up Park street and Church street to the Common. This does not accommodate Main street and the need of a sewer in this street is urgent. We hope the good work will go on.

WAR GLEANINGS.

The President issued a call Saturday for 125,000 volunteers.

Congress declared war against Spain, Monday afternoon.

Twice have Morro's marksmen fired on Capt. Sampson's fleet, but like "Robin the Bobbin", they "couldn't shoot true".

Maine is to furnish 1,256 of the 125,000 troops called for.

Secretary Sherman has resigned as Secretary of State, and Judge Day has been appointed to fill the position.

The Oregon, about which there has been considerable anxiety, is all right.

The probability is that the war between Uncle Sam and the Don's will be fought by the latter mostly by words.

There is much significance in the cartoon in last night's Globe, representing Uncle Sam playing the telescope, and remarking: "We have long distance guns, but our telescopes are not long distance enough to see the enemy."

PARIS, Apr. 25.—It is announced here that the queen regent of Spain still hopes for peaceful foreign intervention.

LONDON, April 25.—The foreign office expects to publish to-morrow evening a formal notice that the warships of the belligerents must leave British ports within 24 hours.

LONDON, April 26.—A royal decree proclaiming neutrality has been printed in the London Gazette this morning.

PARIS, April 26.—The French cabinet to-day approved the neutrality proclamation.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Most governors have made prompt and gratifying responses to the call for volunteers.

SPANISH SHIPS TAKEN.
No. 1.—Steamer Buena Ventura, 1741 tons, by the Nashville.
No. 2.—Steamer Pedro, 2872 tons, by the New York.
No. 3.—Fishing Schooner Perdido, by the Erickson (Released).
No. 4.—Schooner Mathilde, by the Porter.
No. 5.—Steamer Miguel Jover, 3591 tons, by the Helena.
No. 6.—Steamer Catalina, 4706 tons, by the Detroit.
No. 7.—Steamer Saturnina, 2808 tons, by the Winona.

LATE BULLETINS RECEIVED AT BETHEL.

(Tuesday, 8.30 A. M.)
No shots have been fired by either side since yesterday morning.

A night blockade has been established at Hampton Roads.

Portugal has notified Spanish fleet to leave St. Vincent.

Many states have issued calls for troops.

The Mangrove has captured a Spanish auxiliary cruiser.

[(3 P. M.)
Philippine insurgents are massing around Manila, and a massacre of Spaniards is feared.

An American torpedo boat held at Falmouth, Eng., by the British Government.

Gen. Blanco cabled Madrid that the Spanish fleet can be used else-

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Several war ships patrolling the coast.

Gunboat Newport brought to Key West a schooner and a sloop.

(Wednesday, 8.30 A. M.)
Gov. Powers orders State soldiers to mobilize at Augusta next Monday, May 2d.

Beginning to-night, Portland harbor will be closed for all vessels between 8 p. m. and 4 a. m.

Minneapolis seen off Maine coast.

Spanish fleet still at Cape Verde and may go against our Chinese squadron.

Some prizes may have to be released.

LATEST—3.00 P. M.
American Barge Saranac, loaded with coal, captured by Spain.

Spanish fleet still at Cape Verde awaiting orders.

Minneapolis at Eastport Harbor to-day noon.

Cuban insurgents to be fully equipped and move on Havana co-operating with U. S. fleet.



Ask your stationer for Pine Tree Linen.

J. F. Ballard of Gilead, was in our village this week.

D. D. Cross of Locke's Mills, is at work for Isaiah Coburn.

The Oxford County Pomona Grange will be held at Bethel, Tuesday, May 3rd.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler was called to Norway last Friday and has not returned.

Edmund Clark formerly of this town, is serving in the U. S. navy, as signalman at Montauk Point, Long Island.

Mrs. Wilfred Bowler who has been confined to the house for several weeks, has so far recovered as to go out of doors.

Guy Coffin of Locke's Mills, who has been attending the Academy, has returned to his home on account of sickness.

Mrs. D. E. Edwards of Fort Fairfield, who came to attend the wedding of her sister, is spending a few days in town.

Mrs. Ida V. Woodbury representing the American Missionary Association and who has recently returned from a trip to the south, will speak at the Congregational church next Sunday morning.

Fred Gorman who has been employed at the Edwards' farm, went to Norway, Monday to enlist in the military company; should he not be accepted he will go to Portland and offer himself for naval service.

Through the kindness of Mr. Noyes, Supt. of the New England Telegraph and Telephone Co., we are promptly furnished with all the late war news. Mr. Meserve is running a bulletin board at Mr. Wiley's store from which Bethel people can read the late war news as early as they are read by their friends in Portland or Boston.

We are always pleased with any honor bestowed upon the young people of Bethel, and know that the friends of Archer Grover who is now in attendance at the University of Maine, will unite with us in extending congratulations. The editorial staff of The Cadet, the University paper, has just been chosen. From the whole number of students, the faculty selects thirty as managers of the publication and from the thirty, the editor-in-chief is chosen. This honor was conferred upon Mr. Grover but he, feeling that he could not do justice to the work which would fall to him and be faithful to his school-work, after considering the matter, declined to serve. His election shows to the popularity among his fellow students.

Our Young Readers.

Prize Letter.

Gilead, Me., April 15th, 1898.

Dear Editor:

I saw in the News of March 30th, that you wanted the boys and girls to write a sketch of Miss Willard's life, and I will try and do so.

Miss Frances E. Willard was born in Churchville, N. Y., Sept. 28th, 1839, but her parents moved to Oberlin, Ohio, when she was but three years of age. They had both been teachers and were soon leaders at the West, in all-good undertakings. In a short time they moved to a large farm near Zanesville, Wisconsin, where with her only brother, Oliver, and her darling sister Mary, Frances now spent thirteen years. O, what good times they had! The little folks got up an infinite variety of amusements. They organized a board of public works, laid out towns and villages, dabbled with clay in their "Art Club" and did many other pleasant things.

Frances not only edited a newspaper, but wrote a novel, wrote poetry and kept a journal. She read what books she could find, but the library was extremely limited, and an occasional newspaper brought home in her father's pocket was a rare treat.

This is what she once said of her home: "A queer old cottage with rambling roof, gables, dormer-windows and little porches, crannies and out of the way nooks scattered here and there, was our home. The bluffs of Wisconsin rose about it on the right and left. The beautiful Rock River flowed at the west side; to the east, a prairie stretched away to meet the horizon, yellow with grain in summer, fleecy with snow in the winter of the year. Groves of oaks and hickory are on either hand; a miniature forest of evergreens, almost conceals the house from the view of passers by; a vine, the Virginia creeper, twines at will around the pillars of the piazza and over the parlor windows, while its rival, the Michigan rose, clambers over trellis and balustrade to the roof."

Bite from her diary show how girlish she was at sixteen: "Caught a bluejay in my trap out in the hazel thicket. I knew that he wasn't gone, and let him go. The schoolhouse in our district is just finished; I shall attend regularly, visiting my traps on the way." Later, "Sister and I got up long before light to prepare for the first day at school; put all our books in mother's satchel. Had a nice tin pail full of dinner. I study arithmetic, geography, grammar, reading and spelling, which takes every bit of my time. Stood next to Pat O'Donohue in spelling and Pat stood at the head." "This is my seventeenth birthday and the oath of my martyrdom. Mother insists that I shall have my hair done up woman fashion and my dress made to trail like hers. She says she shall never forgive herself for letting me run wild so long. We had a great time over it all, and here I sit like another Sampson shorn of my strength. That figure won't do though, for the greatest trouble is that I shall never be shorn again; my back hair is twisted up like a corkscrew, I carry eighteen hair-pins; my head aches; my feet are entangled in the skirt of my new gown. I can never jump over a fence again as long as I live. As for chasing the sheep down in the shady pasture its out the question, and to climb to my eagle's nest seat in the burr-oaks would ruin my new frock beyond repair." This eagle's-nest was where she used to go to read and write, and years afterward her summer home in the Andirons was named for it.

Soon after this came a year of study in a ladies' seminary, from which she graduated with honor, having attended school in all but thirty-six months.

After this she taught school in a little red hovel—a regular "districter" school. And from that she went on and up till she was prepress of the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Seneca, N. Y. Then she spent over two years studying and traveling in Europe, Egypt and Palestine writing home her experiences for newspapers. On her return she was appointed Dean of the Women's College, Evanston, Ill., where she labored faithfully and with marked success for three years. She had wonderful power over the girls under her charge and probably not one of all her pupils but was led to be something better and nobler than her words and daily deeds.

Next, she was persuaded to deliver a lecture in Chicago, which began her career as a public orator and made her so well known in many parts of the country; she also wrote several books. Miss Willard was a natural leader and reformer, but her life work was in the cause of temperance and in 1879 she was chosen president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and both at the north and south, she was foremost of workers among the Christian women of America. On her visits to the South all extended to her the most cordial greeting and boundless hospitality, on one visit she organized fifty Auxiliaries to the Temperance Union. Four years later she founded the Woman's Christian

Temperance Union, and in 1888, she became its president, which office she held at the time of her death, Feb. 18th, 1898. The wearers of the "White Ribbons" are now found in every civilized country, and number many thousands.

Miss Willard was loved and respected all over the world and her death in New York City, after a brief illness brought deep sorrow, not alone to her many friends but to all classes in almost every home where our language is spoken.

How beautiful were the words of this noble woman as she was falling asleep in death, those who gathered about her heard this whisper from her lips: "I have crept in with mother!" And they seem most fitting since I have just read that twelve of Miss Willard's friends accompanied her remains to the cemetery at Grandland, on Easter Sunday, where according to her wishes, her body was cremated. Her ashes were given into keeping of one of the friends who will have them interred in the open grave of Miss Willard's mother in Rosehill cemetery, at Evanston, Ill.

I fear this sketch will be too long but no one person can ever tell all the good deeds of this illustrious woman.

Edith C. Farwell.

LOCAL NEWS.

Village schools will begin Monday.

O. P. Russell of Hanover, was in town, Wednesday.

Dr. Gehring has been out of town for a few days; he returned this morning.

The bicycle club will meet at Edward King's to-morrow evening to organize, and have a short run.

The Conference held at Norway, during the past week, held its last business meeting, Monday morning and at that meeting Rev. J. W. Lewis who has lately been transferred from the Nebraska conference, was appointed to succeed Rev. A. Hamilton who has so faithfully and successfully filled the Methodist pulpit in Bethel during the past three years. Mr. Hamilton moves to Mechauc Falls this week.

Tuesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Verrill of West Bethel, entertained a few of their friends at their pleasant home. The rooms were prettily decorated with ferns and potted plants. The guests after being mystified by scenes of magic, were served with dainty refreshments. They then listened to music both vocal and instrumental.

At a seasonable hour the friends bade their host and hostess "Good night," wishing them many happy returns of the day, which was the fifth anniversary of their wedding.

Last Thursday, the Ladies' Club met in Garland Chapel and spent the afternoon in sewing. This was not the proverbial sewing circle where Dame Gossip presides. Among the pleasures of the afternoon, was reading by Miss True upon philanthropy wherein the author strongly suggests that even a philanthropic act may be misdirected. At 6 o'clock the young people and gentlemen came in and partook of a very appetizing picnic supper. The tables had been arranged by the committee who spared no pains to make them attractive and enjoyable. Much credit is due the committee, and it is hoped that this has established a custom which will be often observed, and that the older people and the young people may become better acquainted.

"When wars and tumults are raging. And the sky in its darkest hue, It is the ladies come forward, With the colors—The red, white and blue." From the time of the Maine disaster, the people of Maine have shown patriotism, surely not unsurpassed at least by any state in the Union; every city, village, and hamlet has its brave and loyal soldier boys and not alone has the blood of the boys been thrilled over and over again, but our loyal women as well, have taken a deep interest in this, our present crisis. Many cities and towns have been flying the national emblem for some time and first among the loyal people of Bethel to display the patriotic colors we find our popular milliner, Miss Burdham, who not only may be counted among the first in patriotism, but as the first in her line of millinery. The brightness of the spring millinery is hardly surpassed by that of the red, white, and blue but for harmony and delightful effects in every way, call at this popular store. Rumors of war do not seem to effect the millinery trade. Evidently women are determined to have new hats anyway, and it is certainly almost impossible to resist the lovely creations now shown in her summer millinery.

Quiet Home Wedding.
Last Monday morning at 7.30, a quiet wedding took place at the home of Mrs. A. M. Farwell, when her daughter, Adelaide was united in marriage to J. Melvin Brock of Brockton, Mass.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Barton in the presence of a few intimate friends, who had assembled in the parlor which was tastefully decorated with potted plants and evergreens. The bride was very becomingly and daintily gown in white which at the ceremony, was exchanged for a dark green traveling suit. The happy couple took their departure on the 9 o'clock train amid a shower of rice, for Brockton where they will make their home.

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When Mr. Barker went to the lock-up Monday morning, he found one instead of four. A hole had been cut through the floor with jack-knives through which they had made their escape, the fourth claiming he was too honest to escape.

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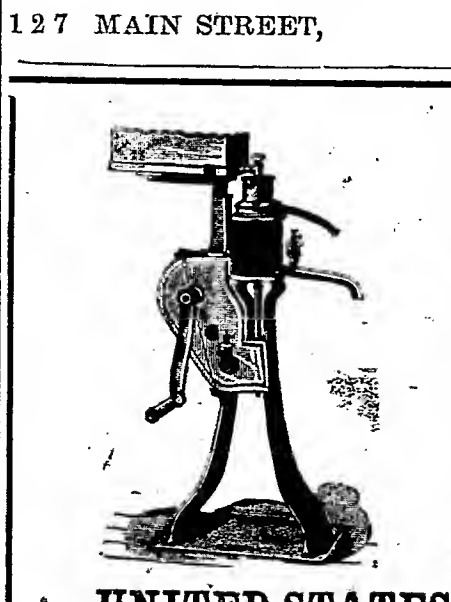
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TO THE OWNERS OF DOGS:
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Ben Hatch will work for Mandell LeBaron.
Miss Lucinda Abbott was home from Fryeburg last week.
The Library Circle will meet with Mrs. Wm. LeBaron, May 5th.
John Fox has bargained his farm to Wm. Adams of North Stoneham.
John A. Fox has finished sawing his spool strips and stove stock and Wm. Fox is at work for his brother, Nathaniel.

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OTHER COUNTY NEWS ON PAGE FOUR.

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—Now comes the time of weeps and wails,
Of scrubbing-brushes, and water-pails,
Of carpets gone, and restless brooms,
Of spattered paint, and cheerless rooms,
Of wretched men, and weary wives,
Of children scolded out of lives,
Of breakfasts bad, and dinners worse,
When man prefers the streets to roam,
And thinks the dearest place is home,
And sighs to be in Heaven, where
There's surely no spring cleaning there."

The boys are practicing for a game of base ball on Fast Day.
Charles Barnes of Albany, passed through this village, Friday selling smelts.
The summer term of school opened Monday, with Miss Maud M. Merrow as teacher.
W. H. Merrow has had a bay window put on his house, which Mrs. Merrow will probably fill with dowering plants.
C. H. Cook stepped on a nail which penetrated one of his toes, and he is now confined to the house with a sore foot in consequence.

A. S. Bean has had a general cleaning up and painting in his store, and is receiving lots of new goods for the summer trade.
Milton Holt's store is closed during his stay in the Maine General Hospital, but will probably be reopened as soon as he returns.
J. E. Pike has opened his new store with a small stock of choice groceries, fruit, tobacco, and cigars, and the Boston Daily Globe is for sale on his counter.
L. E. Allen has moved back to his old home in this village, but he and his son will continue to work for the Bethel Chair Co.

Those who do not observe Thursday of this week as a day of fasting, should offer up prayer for peace and the speedy success of right.
We don't know anything about the "Don't Know Sociable" in the vestry of the church last Saturday evening, but we do know the night was dark and stormy.

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For any case of Rheumatism which cannot be cured by Dr. Drummond's Lightning Remedy. The proprietors do not hide this offer, but print it in bold type on all their circulars, wrappers, printed matter, and through the columns of newspapers everywhere. It will work wonders—one treatment curing any ordinary case; the full supply of two large bottles will be sent to any address by express on receipt of \$5, together with special directions, for use. Agents Wanted.

RUMFORD.
Eddie Hutchins went to Bethel last Saturday.
Bert Maxim of Paris was in town over Sunday.
Mrs. J. E. Barker returned from Auburn, Saturday.
Miss Cynthia Walker spent Saturday in Lewiston.
Harry Small and family will move to Rumford Falls soon.
Myra Downing is living with Mrs. Andrew Woodard for the present.
Will Elliott left last Friday for Kingman, Maine, where he is to teach this spring.
Ex-Governor Robie will deliver the Memorial address at Rumford Center. No tables will be set this year, but hot coffee with milk and sugar will be furnished all who wish for it.

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Sometimes he buys from one mill, sometimes from another—wherever he can purchase cheapest. What is such a brand as that worth?

WHEN YOU BUY
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You buy a brand that is guaranteed by the largest flour mill in the world.

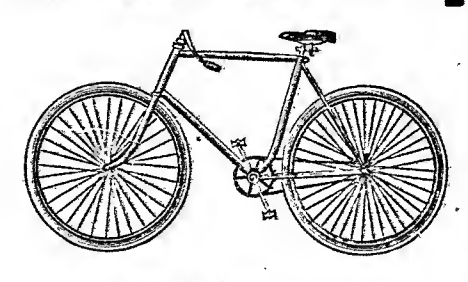
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Feet Hard to fit—for any reason—should come to us.
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Warwick '07 model, now \$40
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These are new and perfect wheels direct from the factory

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TOWNS AROUND.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mr. T. S. Littlehale is very poor.

Mrs. Widder has been confined to her home with a severe cold.

Mrs. Haselton has arrived at Mr. Ralph Kilgore's and is busy dress-making.

Bear River Club House has just received her spring dress by getting a coat of paint.

Mr. Woodbury Kilgore is about to begin work on Poplar Tavern. Its office and reception room is to be torn down and rebuilt.

A dance and dinner will be given by C. E. Peabody of Poplar Tavern on May 16th, providing the weather is fair, if not the first fine day following.

A progressive sewing society has been started here, for the benefit of a library. Mrs. C. E. Peabody is president and Mrs. Walter Foster is vice president; they will be pleased to have any ladies from neighboring towns attend or join. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. John Allen's. A tea and social evening will be held at Poplar Tavern during the second week in May for the benefit of same; tea only 10 cents. Every person will be made welcome.

MILAN.

Business is lively in town.

Marcel Phipps has had the measles.

Allen Phipps from Yarmouth, is in town.

Albert Gould is working for C. M. G. T.

The selectmen are taking the inventory.

Mr. Holmes is in Dover, N. H. at Conference.

We are glad to see the folks moving out of the woods.

Dora Wheeler is going to take music lessons of Miss Angie Paine.

We understand Luther Kingsbury is about to move on Milan Hill.

Mrs. S. M. Yates had the pleasure of visiting Ideal Rebekah Lodge and speaks very highly of the manner in which they conferred the degree on seven candidates.

It is hoped that a good number will be present at the Rebekah, as they have work. There is a great deal of interest taken in Emily Flint lodge, by the sisters and some of the brothers.

PERU.

D. W. Walker has purchased a new cornet.

Adna Knight will work for A. K. P. Trask this summer.

Mrs. Adna Knight has gone to Auburn for medical treatment.

Stephen Gatchell has been sawing wood by horse power, the past week.

J. W. Gammon has been drawn to serve as Jurymen at the May term of court.

The Grange is holding its meetings in the new town hall, which they made convenient for that purpose.

Mrs. Burt C. Kidder, superintendent of the Juvenile Temple, will attend the session of the Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., to be held in Waterville this week.

NORTH ALBANY.

Mrs. Thomas Kimball is visiting friends in Massachusetts.

Mrs. W. H. Mason who has been quite ill, is now improving in health.

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WEST LOVELL.

Moses Sargent is shingling his shop he put up two years ago.

Than Fox has been drawn Jurymen for the May term of court.

G. W. Andrews has been at his sister's and has painted his boats and carriage.

A couple of John A. Fox's men were sick last week and he shut down his mill.

Lotie Allard is at work at Fred Stearns'. Her sister is at home from Boston for a visit; their brothers, Flint and Leonard were at home over Sunday.

No Further Trouble.

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UNCLAIMED ESTATES.

Laws Concerning Inheritance in Holland, France and Germany.

Method of Procedure That Must Be Adopted by Claimants—Several Hundred Cases Pending in Trust.

Holland is another country where it is supposed by many Americans that vast estates, from the value of \$10,000 down, have been lying unclaimed for the last 200 years, and that nothing is necessary but to demand them at some probate office. For the last 27 years the American legation at The Hague has notified claimants, either directly or through the department of state, that there are no probate courts in Holland and that wills are generally deposited in the care of the notary who draws them up. He makes a duplicate copy, and enters the title and subject matter under a number in his register, which is examined and verified by the registrar once a month. It is evident, where names, dates and localities are lacking, as is generally the case in the communications of claimants, that, after the lapse of one or two generations, estates can be found only, if at all, by expensive advertising. In 1855 the Dutch parliament established a commission for the settlement of claims on that country, and since that time such estates would escheat to the state. The great estate sought for in Holland is that of a Gen. Metzgar, who died about 200 years ago, leaving, as is currently supposed, some \$100,000. One of the claimants admitted to our minister at The Hague that if ordinary interest were added to the principal of this claim, all the European governments together would be unable to pay it, but that she was willing to wait for the interest.

Our embassy in Paris does not give the names of any claimants of estates, but says that the number of inquiries is large, and that in no case has the existence of the supposed estate or of the unclaimed fortune been verified. The legation of France is such as to dispose effectively and without appeal of all claims, even if inherently just and founded on an actual and known heritage, which were not presented, and proven within the period prescribed by the French statute of limitations. Under French law the liquidation of estates is ordinarily in the hands of a notary, and in searching for an estate the usual method is to address a circular letter to every notary in the city and department where the estate is likely to be, giving the name and date of death of the original owner. When there is no lauded estate the heirs at law can without legal proceedings, if a claimant an estate, the state takes it in trust, and the department of justice issues notices of the fact in the official journal. The period of prescription as regards estates is 30 years, and from the date of death, after which all claims are barred, unless some irregularity in the liquidation can be proven.

In Germany there is likewise a statute of limitations, and, as there is, not a case is known to our embassy where the existence of an unclaimed estate has been verified. As a rule, the data furnished by claimants are insufficient to substantiate their claims, or to identify the locality of a single estate, even when the statute of limitations does not apply to great periods of time elapsing since the testator's death. One great drawback to the claimants is the absence of all probate machinery, and the fact that estates are usually divided amicably among the heirs without resort to any court, transfers of landed estates being made on the basis of the grantor and grantee, with the registrar of the locality, in the presence of the grantor and grantee. Wills have to be deposited in a court during the lifetime of the testator, except in the Rhine provinces, where a will entirely holographic is valid. Wills are opened by the court for interested parties when they produce a certificate of death, or at any rate six weeks after the testator's death, and there is no proof. If the proof is inadequate, the will is opened to ascertain whether charitable institutions are mentioned in it. If this be the case, such beneficiaries are called upon to prove the death of the testator. The will is then closed again. When the fact of death is established, the will is opened once more and published. A certificate of heirship is issued by the court on adding friends in Massachusetts.

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They Shet the Do' Now.

Georgia Crackers Actually Discover How to Keep Cold Out.

In "Cracker" cakes in north Georgia, no matter how cold the weather, both doors, back and front, stand open from daylight till dark, the year through.

This, people, is accounted for by the fact that there are no windows in the houses, and the doors are kept open for light.

One bitter cold winter's day, says an exchange, while hunting for a warm, mah, a northern superintendent of the Georgia Marble company went into one of these cabins and found the whole family, blue with cold, huddled over a few pine sticks in the fireplace. Every door was open and the icy wind was sweeping through the room unhindered.

Before proceeding to business the northerner banged to the doors, threw several logs on the coals, and soon had things steaming. As they grew comfortable he remarked:

"Now, don't you see how quickly you warm up when you keep the wind out? See what a difference it makes to shut the doors?"

The thawed-out Cracker turned to his wife quite energetically and said:

"Wife, danged if hit ain't so! Don't forget it. When hits cold arter this, let's shet the do'!"

A Noted Minstrel.

M. T. Skiff, formerly business manager for W. J. Scanlon, the Irish Comedian, suffered with Rheumatism for years without relief until he bought a bottle of Drummond's Lightning Remedy. Two bottles made a well man of him. There are a thousand remedies for Rheumatism, but none have received the unsolicited testimonials from prominent people as shown by Drummond's Lightning Remedy. When a cure is wanted, send \$5 to the Drummond's Medicine Co., New York, and they will ship to your address two large bottles of the Remedy—enough for one month's treatment. Agents wanted.

Liver Pills

Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work easily and thoroughly.

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WORSE THAN USELESS.

Admiral Farragut's Disposal of Government War Plans.

The following anecdote of Admiral Farragut, which it is believed appears now for the first time in print, was told by one who was a party to the transaction to which it relates. It well illustrates the heroic admiral's character; for it is one of the chief attributes of a hero not to be deterred by the impossible. While preparations were being made for the attack on New Orleans, the navy department came into possession of a complete set of plans of the defenses of the city. Not only were the positions and the forts laid down, but the number, weight and position of every gun was given, together with the obstructions stretched across the river to prevent the passage of a hostile fleet.

There were shown, also, the submarine mines placed so as to destroy ships passing up the channel, as well as the system of torpedoes, and the reserve of war vessels which were to cooperate with the land batteries in opposing the advance by water of an enemy's forces.

The information was considered of such value that no time was lost in sending it by the hands of a special messenger away from Washington to Admiral Farragut, in the belief that such a detailed description of the defenses which he would have to encounter in passing up to the city must prove of the utmost use to him.

It was supposed, as a matter of course, that the admiral would not only acknowledge the receipt of a communication conveying matter of such importance, but would, in some way, express his sense of the obligation he was under. But no such acknowledgment ever reached the navy department.

Meanwhile, the passage of the forts was effected, New Orleans was captured, the active naval operations in southern waters were brought to a close, and Admiral Farragut, in due time, having accomplished his great mission, went north. Proceeding to Washington, he at once called at the navy department, where he received the hearty congratulations of the secretary of the navy upon his brilliant successes.

While he was in the department a prominent official, during a conversation on the subject of the naval operations in the gulf, referred to the plans of the defenses of New Orleans and asked the admiral if he had ever received them.

"Yes," he replied, "I received the plans, but on examination I found that, according to them, New Orleans could never be taken; so I tore them up and threw them into the waste basket."—"Youth's Companion."

"I feel it my duty to give you a truthful statement of what Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy did," writes J. S. Collins, of Moore, S. C. "I had a child about two years old, that had the diarrhoea for two months. I tried all the best known remedies, but none gave the least relief. When this remedy came to hand, I gave it as directed, and in two days the child was completely cured." Sold by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and G. O. Jones, Bryant Pond.

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